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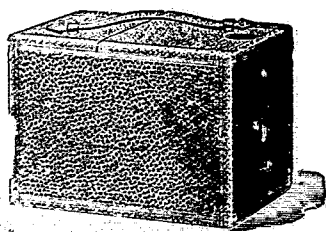
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Town Topics.

WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE DOING. ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP ABOUT TOWN.

"A City That is Set on a Hill Cannot Be Hid."

Mrs. A. Lamere is improving in health.

Miss Maude Chute is visiting at Naples.

H. L. Horne of Norway, was in town last week.

Bethel steammill is shut down for a short time.

Jennie Pennett is at work for Miss Cora Brown.

Mrs. George Bryant and children are visiting friends at Berlin.

Mrs. Annie Twitchell is visiting her father, Mr. Robert Howe.

Mr. Nelson Wilbur has moved into one of the steammill houses.

Prof. Chapman, wife and family are at their residence in Mayville.

Mrs. A. Lamere and Mrs. G. W. Bryant recently visited Mrs. Jim Barchard.

Judge Woodbury conducts a Sabbath school at Newry every Sunday p. m.

Miss Mary True returned from a trip to Washington, D. C., last Friday morning.

Farm Produce taken in exchange for groceries at Deering's, under Public Library, Bethel.

Mrs. Jared Young has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Jas. Crooker of Locke's Mills.

Mrs. M. J. Davis of Lowell, Mass., is spending a few weeks with her son, C. H. Davis.

Geo. Haggood of Boston, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Haggood of Songo Pond.

Mrs. E. S. Paul and two-year son Shepley, of Leviston, spent Sunday in town with Miss Deering.

Mrs. Lottie Burnell and three children are visiting Mrs. Burnell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lawrence.

Sewall Chapman of North Waterford, has been spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. N. E. Richardson.

Lieut. Peary and mother have been in town, guests at Dr. Wiley's; Lieut. Peary left last week for his northern trip.

The Ladies' Club of the Congregational church, has voted to hold its annual mid-summer sale and supper, Aug. 11th.

Mr. Joe Hamlin has been absent from his work at the News office, owing to the illness of his mother, Mrs. Ella Hamlin of Milton.

Mrs. Irving Stearns and child of Berlin, N. H., were guests at Eli Stearns' home, Saturday; she went to Newry Sunday morning.

Congratulations are in order for Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Wight; last Saturday a tiny girl, who soon will answer to the name Marie Bartlett, came to live with them.

Mr. W. S. Field who was assistant teacher at Gould's Academy, during the past year, has accepted a position as principal of a grammar school in Braintree, Mass.

Summer Brown of East Bethel, has finished haying on the farm of the late Z. H. Bean. In one week he put into the barn 40, two-horse loads of as good hay as ever grew, all in first class condition, without even a sprinkle of rain.

A. D. Ellingwood who has spent the past few months in town, has moved to Milan, N. H., where he will occupy the Berlin Mills Company's rent; his friends will be sorry to learn that he has not regained his health in a sufficient degree to enable him to resume his work.

On Thursday afternoon of this week the Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. A. E. Herrick and will serve tea on the lawn from six to seven o'clock. Ice cream for sale during the evening; the club solicits a liberal patronage and promises a cordial welcome and what may be more enticing—a good supper all for 10 cents.

C. E. Tolman, manager of the Union Mutual Life Insurance company of Portland, was in town Thursday, to pay claim under policy 126,905. This is a policy taken out by the late Mr. Henry Farwell, Dec. 31st, 1897, deceased June 15th, 1898. The proofs were returned July 6th, and July 14th, Mr. Tolman handed to Mrs. Farwell the company's draft for 1000 dollars. Such cases should warn everyone of the necessity of life insurance and such promptness should commend this, the leading life insurance company of Maine, to the consideration of all.

Have you sampled Deering's tea and coffee? If not, you should do so at once, and you will use no other.

Hot Blaze.

The hottest fire that our village has ever seen, occurred last Friday night when the large building on Main street occupied by the Bethel Chair Co., as the upholstering and furnishing department of their business was totally destroyed.

The fire was discovered at about 11.45 at night but not until the flames had gotten under considerable headway. The alarm was given and in less than 10 minutes the fire companies were on the ground and at work like beavers. The fire was a decidedly quick one, and when help arrived it was plainly evident that the flames were entirely beyond control and the only thing that remained to do was to save the adjoining buildings. The nearest building and hence the one subjected to the greatest danger, was the store of H. M. Farwell which set parallel to the burning building and a distance of only 13 feet away. No one believed it possible to save this store owing to its nearness and the intense heat of the fire, and though at times the heat became so intense that the crowd was driven from the sidewalk on the opposite side of the street yet the firemen, taking turns at the nozzle, stood within ten feet of that hot fire and fought back the flames for nearly an hour, and although the store in question took fire several times, yet, it was saved as were all the other buildings which were threatened.

Bethel may well feel proud of her fire service. The work which it did last Friday night could not have been excelled by any two fire companies in Maine. These are not only the sentiments of our citizens, but several visitors chanced to witness their work upon this occasion, and freely expressed themselves to the effect that never in any of the large cities did they see such gallant work done at a fire as was done by our own Bethel boys.

It was very fortunate that the night was calm for had the wind blown as it did during the day, a large part of the village would have been swept away.

The fire could not have occurred at a more unfortunate time for the Chair company, as they had a very large stock on hand, having several large orders completed, which would have been shipped at once. Their stock was valued at \$3,000. Insurance, \$2,400. The building was owned by John B. Chapman, and was insured for \$1,500.

Come in and Read the News.

We desire to say to those who are visiting our fair town that a file of Portland and Leviston, daily papers is kept at the News office, and all who wish are cordially invited to come and read them.

The Annual Examination of Teachers For State Certificates Will occur Friday, Aug. 26, '98.

STATE OF MAINE EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Augusta, July 1st, 1898.

The places at which examinations will be held, will be so arranged as far as practicable that every teacher taking the examination can leave home in the morning, take the examination in full, and return the evening of the same day. Public announcement of the places selected will be made in due season, and special notice thereof will be sent to all teachers registering before August 20th.

The Subjects in which teachers will be examined are reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic, geography, English grammar, U. S. history, physiology and hygiene, elementary science or nature studies, Civil government, Theory and Practice of teaching, and school law.

The Certificates issued will be of four grades and of four periods of duration. Grade of certificate will be based on rank in examination, on facts stated in the Preliminary Examination report which must be filed in this department before August 20 by every teacher taking the examination, and on statements submitted by such persons as teachers give for references. Duration of certificates will be determined by actual teaching experience, minimum rank in examination, and certain facts given in the Preliminary Examination reports. The highest grade will authorize the holder to teach in any Free High or other public school for which employed. Duration of certificates will be for life, or for five years, three years, or one year.

All actual or prospective teachers desiring to take this examination must register, on or before August 20th, by forwarding to this Department complete Preliminary Examination reports, blanks for which will be sent on application.

W. W. STETSON, State Superintendent of Public Schools.

STATE NEWS.

The Rickers of Poland Springs have a reputation for generosity second to none. They are continually showing this in every possible way, the last being a gift to the soldiers at Camp Thomas, Chickamauga. Recently a member of the local Veterans' Relief committee wrote to the Rickers asking them to send two cases of pint bottles of Poland water for use of the camp hospital with bill enclosed, Dr. O'Neil having written that Poland water was the kind most desired for the use of the sick. By return mail came a letter saying they had forwarded two cases of quarts, express prepaid, to be shipped to Camp Thomas and "For this there will be no charge." The generosity of the Rickers is fully appreciated here and will be at Chickamauga when the water arrives there.

Battery B. first Maine heavy artillery, was mustered into the service of the United States at 2 o'clock, Saturday with three officers and 106 men, Capt. Frank Hume commanding. This battery is composed of men from the third battalion of the Second Regiment, N. G. S. M., and is the first of the three Maine is to furnish under the second call. The other two batteries will be mustered some time next week.

At the quarries and stone sheds of the Hallowell Granite Works the working force has been increased until it is as large as the usual summer quota. Contractor C. N. Taylor of Natick, Mass., has in his employ 80 men. The work upon the third building at the State Industrial school for girls is progressing finely. It is probable that the work upon the new city building, made possible by the gift to the city of \$20,000 from a Hallowell man, will soon be begun.

One day last week at Linekin, Floriston Trask fell into a tank of hot fish and scalded one leg to the hip severely, slightly scalding the other.

A heavy hail storm which passed over Lincoln county recently, damaged the crops, broke glass and killed several hens and chickens.

Seven-year-old Carroll Higgins of Bar Harbor was severely burned by accidentally overturning a kettle of hot fat on his legs recently.

One night last week, the residence of Mr. Tarbutt of Bar Harbor was entered and a watch valued at \$30 and seven dollars in money stolen.

E. C. Plummer of Bath, has received an appointment as paymaster in the United States navy at a salary of \$1800 a year.

The mayor of Gardiner has given orders that all fruit stores in the city shall be closed Sundays. Orders have also been issued that all the owners of nickle-in-the-slot machines in the city must remove the machines, except those where cigars are played for.

Letter to E. C. Park, Esq. Bethel, Me. Dear Sir: Railroad companies use paint they know is good—not the kind the seller says is good; they take nothing for granted; they have their Chemist, whose business is to analyze the different paints and find out for a certainty which is the best for the price. As most of the largest railroads in America use our Paint, comment is unnecessary. For instance the whole system of 64 miles of elevated railroad and their stations in New York and Brooklyn have been painted solely with F. W. Devoe & Co's paint for the past 18 years.

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Card of Thanks.

Bethel, July 16th, '98.

We take this opportunity to thank the neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted in saving our home during the Chair Factory fire of the 15th.

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NOTICE.

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has rented his blacksmith shop to Fritz J. Tyler, and respectfully requests all who have accounts with him to settle at their earliest convenience.

J. C. Billings.

The Weaver.

Beside the loom of life I stand, And watch the busy shuttle go; The threads I hold within my hand Make up the filling; strand on strand They slip my fingers through, and so This web of mine fills out apace.

While I stand over in my resting place, One time the web is smooth and fine, And colored with a sunny dye; Again the threads so roughly twine And weave so darkly line on line, My heart misgives me; then would I Fain lose this web—begin anew; But that, alas! I cannot do.

Some day the web will all be done, The shuttle quiet in its place, From out my hold the threads be run: And friends at setting of the sun Will come to look upon my face, And say, "Mistakes she made not few, Yet wove, perchance, as best she knew."

—The Independent.

ANGELINE GILMER.

The liverman turned into a large yard in which stood a house built of brick, which had faded to a soft pink.

"This is your boarding place, and that's old man Gilmer comin' now," the driver said, cramping his buggy at the horse block. The woman who sat beside him stepped out and handed him his fare, "So you are the new teacher," said Mr. Gilmer, as he approached and extended his hand. "You know we ain't a regular family," he went on, lowering his voice, "for I'm single and have a housekeeper—Mrs. Yapple. Her husband run away to Nebraska and left her."

"I've also got a little girl staying here that I'm trying to get adopted into a good place. Angelina's just as smart as a whip. Her folks is all dead, and she's been here nigh a year, but I want her to be in a real sure-enough family. I think she ought to have somebody she could call mother and father."

He had but finished when a child put its head in at the door—a little brown thing in boy's clothes but with heavy braid of brown hair. "Hurry up, Tommy, or you'll get the neck of the chicken," he shouted joyously.

The child sidled into the empty chair, regarding Miss Briggs with serious dark eyes. The old man turned again to the teacher. "Angelina has spells of wanting to be a boy, and then we let her wear this rig and call her Tommy. She kinda wants to cut her hair off, but I tell her that hair's a mighty slow crop."

After dinner was done he went with Miss Briggs into the sitting room. Angelina followed them. "I want to show your teacher what you've been doing," he said to the child. He took a large family Bible from the table, thumbed the leaves and carried it to Miss Briggs. "See that?" he said, triumphantly.

She saw a rough, pale woodcut of Joseph and his brethren. Over the original black and white, watercolor had been laid with lavish brush. The grass was vivid green, the sky very blue and the faces of the brothers very ruddy.

The old man leaned over and pointed to a figure with a dab of orange on the head. "See that red-headed brother? He tickled me. Angelina sits behind a red-headed boy at school, and she jest matched his hair exact—mixed and mixed and held it to his hair until she got it the right shade."

"It's very clever," Miss Briggs said.

"Yes, it is! I bought the paints for her, and when she first told me that she'd been painting in the Bible I was real provoked, but when I saw how nice she'd done I told her to go ahead and we'd have a book equal to what the book agents sell for \$15."

Angelina sat watching the effect of her pictures. "I'm going to do better ones yet," she said. "I've begun one on white paper of Noah and the ark, with the animals a-poking their heads out of the windows and Noah on top looking at the pigeon bringing the olive branch. Did you ever see an olive branch, teacher?"

Miss Briggs had to acknowledge that she had not. The child's face fell. "Uncle Clem tries to make me believe that most any kind of a twig will do, but I want it to look like a real olive branch."

Mrs. Yapple came in. "The Pikes is outside in the wagon," she announced. "They say they ain't time to come in, but they're awful anxious to adopt Angelina."

"I don't want to be adopted, Uncle Clem," the child said decisively.

"Now, how many times have we gone over that ground?" he demonstrated, feebly. "I like might well to have you here, but I ain't so good for you as a real fam-

ily. Come, let's go out to see the folks," he said, to evade further argument. The child laid her brown hand in his great fist and they went out to a wagon in which sat a middle-aged couple.

Miss Briggs was sitting by the open window. "You listen now to the goings-on," Mrs. Yapple whispered. "That is about the tenth set of folks that's been after Angelina."

"Mrs. Pike, won't you'n Milt come in and set down?" the old man said when he had shaken hands over the wheel.

"No, we ain't this time," Pike answered. "My wife here has set her heart on taking a little girl to raise for company, and we heard you had one you was looking for a place for."

"Angelina rested one foot on the axle of the wheel. "Yes, Angelina's staying here," he said. "How old is she?" Mrs. Pike asked.

"She's coming 10 the 19th of December."

"That's about the age I wanted," Mrs. Pike answered. "Old enough to be company, but not old enough to be up to. Won't you fetch her here?"

Angelina had been hiding behind her protector, but now he dragged her forth; she squirmed and giggled, but he kept a firm hold on her.

The woman looked at the boy's clothes and the long hair in bewilderment. "If it's a girl why does it wear them clothes?"

"She thought she'd like to try how it seemed," the old man answered uneasily.

"She looks real bright, don't she Milt?" Mrs. Pike said, abandoning the impersonal pronoun and addressing her husband. "I wouldn't let her go around in that rig, but I like her looks. Had the whooping-cough?" this last to Angelina.

"Yessum—had most everything," the child answered, eyeing her with hostile brows.

The Pikes conferred in a whisper. "Do as you like, Melissa," he said aloud.

"I guess we'll take her," the woman said. "We can come after her Saturday and then I suppose the papers can be made out most any time."

The old man's face fell into lines of disappointment. He drew nearer the wheel. "Run away a bit, he said to Angelina. When she had gone he said: "I think I ought to tell you that she's real hard to manage—I don't hardly think you could control her."

"I could spank that out," Mrs. Pike said resolutely.

"But she doesn't know yet how many things she can catch. Besides, there's fits in her family. They say some of the Gaineses ust to just fall anywhere, foaming at the mouth like they'd et soap, and stiff as boards."

"Um-m," Mrs. Pike closed her lips tight and looked doubtful. "Is she likely to have 'em?"

He shook his head astutely. "You can never tell how fits all break out. Once I heard a doctor say that if they skipped one generation the next was sure to have 'em, neither Angelina's father or mother had 'em, so I don't know about her."

As Mrs. Pike overthrew one objection he raised another, until she said with a sigh, "Well, I guess I'd better not take her, though I'm real disappointed. I guess we might as well drive on," she said to her husband. "It was real good of you to tell us what you did. Lots of folks would have made her out an angel to get rid of her."

The old man accepted this tribute to his honesty with a face in which relief and sheepishness were mingled.

Angelina, who had only retired behind the rain-barrel, came forth. "What made you tell her those things about me, Uncle Clem," she asked, looking at him with bright squirrel eyes.

He was taken aback, but rallied gallantly. "If you ain't hard to manage I like to know who is? When I told you to run off you know I didn't mean for you to skite behind that rain barrel."

"Am I going to be adopted?" Angelina inquired—she had already learned some skill in changing a disagreeable subject.

"No, I guess you'll stay here a while longer. It doesn't seem like the Pikes was the folks I wanted to adopt you—they're real well-meaning—" He hesitated and then gave up trying to find a word to express the shortcomings of the Pikes. "I'm going to the pasture to salt the steers—I don't suppose there's anybody that wants to go along."

"I do—I do," Angelina cried. The immediate danger of adoption past, both were in high spirits and he went off with her at heel.

"There—that's what I knew would happen?" Mrs. Yapple exclaimed. If he did let her go off, I believe he'd steal her back."

In the days of the next week Miss Briggs watched a contest between the old man and the child. Angelina had made up her mind that he himself would adopt her and she pushed her claims on every occasion. He struggled against her, for he was possessed of the idea that his family, composed of the wreckage of other families, was not the place of a child.

One morning Miss Briggs went early to school and carried her dinner with her. Angelina did not come to either session, but the teacher thought little of her absence, for she was a free lance whose school-going depended on her pleasure.

When she went back to her boarding place Mrs. Yapple met her at the door. Angelina's run away," she said. "We all thought she was to school, till Lucy said she told her she was going to run away. All the men folks are off a horseback looking for her. She ought to be spanked for this, but Mr. Gilmer seemed to think it was about the smartest thing she'd ever done."

It was 8 o'clock before Sammy came into the yard with Angelina on his saddle bow. "I found her five miles off," he said to the women, "walking along scared to death, I'll bet."

"I wasn't scared," Angelina retorted, sliding to the ground. "Has Uncle Clem come?"

It was an hour before he came in. He went straight to Angelina. She smiled bravely, then her look quailed and her mouth quivered. "Oh, Uncle Clem, do you want me to stay here?" she asked.

He held out his arms and she laid her head against his broad chest. "There—there, sissy—don't cry," he said, patting her awkwardly on the back as if she had swallowed a fish bone. "I'll do anything you say if you'll stop crying."

"Anything?" A dancing light drove away the tears from her eyes.

"Yes, anything," he said unwarily.

She laughed softly. "Then I say you've got to adopt me and get the paper tomorrow."

The teacher saw a strange expression pass over the old man's face, as if he had gotten some good thing he thought he ought not to have. But he made a last stand for principle, although a feeble one. "I want you, Angelina, but perhaps you'd be better in a real family."

"Oh, shucks," Angelina, retorted, "I hate real families."

"See here Angelina," the old man said, very solemn, save for a mirthful wrinkle at the corner of his eyes. "If you're going to be my little girl you've got to be mighty high-toned and careful in your language."

Angelina showed her white teeth, then a new timidity came over her gypsy face. "Uncle Clem—when we get the adopting papers—can I have your name—like I was your real little girl?"

He took her pointed chin in his palm and kissed her. "Yes, child," he said, "when we go for the papers we'll have your name changed. Will that suit you, Miss Angelina Gilmer?"

Her eyes shone like dark stars. "Yes, that will suit me—I wanted the same name as you. I'm going to tell you something, Uncle Clem," she went on, "that I don't want the others to hear."

"Fire away," he said.

She leaned close to his ear. "I guess Sammy didn't notice, but when he found me I was faced toward home."—Ex.

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 1898.

Coming Events.

July 28-Aug. 11-School of Methods, Fryeburg.
Aug. 2-20-Chautauque Assembly, Fryeburg.
Sept. 7-10-State conv. on, Epworth League, Northport.
Sept. 8-9-Maine State Agricultural Fair, Lewiston.
Sept. 12-15-Riverside Park Association, Bethel.
Sept. 20-22-Oxford County Fair, Norway.

Gould's Academy.

"Nothing succeeds like success," and success is sure to attend persistent effort and well directed energy.

The trustees of Gould's Academy were extremely fortunate when they secured in 1897, the services of a man of such marked professional and business ability, and one possessing such a keen sense of appreciation of the requirements and duties of a truly successful teacher as Mr. F. E. Hanscom. They were more fortunate when they secured his services for the coming year, despite the fact that a vastly better position had been offered him.

Mr. Hanscom realizes full well that the success of any school depends upon the fitness of its instructors, and that Gould's Academy can be placed firmly in the front ranks only by the employment of first class teachers. To place Gould's Academy in a position second to none in our State was the motive that prompted Mr. Hanscom to reject the better position that was offered him, and consent to return to Bethel for another year. He has put forth every effort to bring with him the strongest teaching force possible under existing circumstances.

The following will be the board of instruction for the coming year and the branches each will teach:
Frank E. Hanscom, principal, Latin, Geometry, Psychology, Civics; Ernest H. Pratt, A. M., Greek, Modern Languages, Algebra; David D. Spear, A. B., Natural Sciences; Alice E. Purington, Literature, Rhetoric, History; Maud Mayo, Elocution and Physical Culture; Alice L. Billings, Instrumental Music.

With such a board of instruction as the above, consisting of six first class teachers, and each teaching branches for which they are specially fitted, Gould's Academy will stand without a rival, and will afford opportunities to the boys and girls of Oxford county which should be appreciated and improved.

One thing is certain, unless such opportunities are improved they will not be offered again, while if they are improved this year, the future glory of Gould's Academy will be assured.

There is no reason with such a board of instruction, why one hundred pupils should not attend this school the coming year, and certainly if the boys and girls can be led to see the superior advantages that are being offered them, our academy will be filled to its full capacity.

WAR NOTES.

Santiago has surrendered and General Shafter's brave soldiers entered the Cuban City in triumph and hoisted the stars and stripes over the government building Sunday noon. Bands played "The Star-Spangled Banner," cannon boomed and Uncle Sam's gallant soldiers cheered, as victors have a right to do. Shafter received the Spanish commander's sword and courteously returned it.

Shafter says upon entering the city he found a perfect entanglement of defenses, and that fighting as the Spaniards did the first day it would have cost 5000 lives to have taken the city.

Now that Santiago is in the hands of Uncle Sam the next

Your friends may smile But that tired feeling Means danger. It

Indicates impoverished And impure blood. This condition may

Lead to serious illness. It should be promptly

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move will be "On to Porto Rico." General Miles who will command in person sailed Monday on the Yale and will be followed by 30,000 men, which will be increased to 75,000 if necessary.

The possibilities of peace are as remote as ever. No move in that direction has ever been made by any of the government officials at Washington and despite the pitiful condition of Spain, her pride appears to restrain her from making any direct overtures.

Spain has in no way yet asked for peace or intimated any intention of so doing.

A movement has been started at Port Tampa to present Admiral Cervera a home on Tampa Bay in recognition of his humane and chivalrous treatment of Hobson and crew, and a desire to save him from insult and possible death should he return to Spain.

LOCAL NEWS.

Prices right at Deering's. E. B. Goddard was in Portland, Saturday.

Full line of fresh groceries at Deering's.

Alice Bean went to Massachusetts, yesterday.

H. G. Brown of West Paris, was in our village Monday.

Miss Fannie Carter is spending a few weeks in Portland.

Miss Alice Russell is spending the summer at Bethlehem, N. H.

Mrs. F. S. Chandler has been spending the past week in Norway.

Mrs. Geo. Boothman of Woodsville, N. H., was in town, Tuesday.

Miss Deering closes her summer engagement with Miss Burnham, this week.

Misses Barbara and Florence Carter are enjoying a visit at Oxford.

Does not some one want a field of standing grass at a bargain? If so call at the News office.

The Literary society will meet Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, with Mrs. Abial Chandler.

All those who have pictures of the battleship Maine at the News office, can get them any time.

R. C. Clark and his mother started for Susquehanna, Pa., to-day. Mrs. Clark will remain a few weeks.

We are pleased to notice the decorations in the show window of our enterprising jeweler, Edward King.

A book of camp songs for the Castine Normal Alumni association is being published at the News office.

The patriotic services which were to have been held at the M. E. church last Sunday evening, were postponed.

Mrs. C. E. Folsom, Miss Helen King and Miss Mary O. Folsom of Dorchester, Mass., are visiting at Mrs. S. D. Philbrook's.

If you suffer from sores, boils, pimples, or if your nerves are weak and your system run down, you should take Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Call at Young's harness store and see the Boston Lawn Swings, the most popular swing on the market. Lowest prices for the next few days.

Ceylon Rowe has a crew of carpenters at work on his store. He is having a store house built in the rear and will give the entire store a thorough renovating.

An entertainment will be given at Bean's Hall, West Bethel on Tuesday evening, July 26th, for the benefit of the new church. All are cordially invited to attend.

Gardens and fields are showing the effects of dry weather; many in the village have kept gardens in good condition by a vigorous use of hose and water. A slight rain Tuesday was very welcome.

Wednesday of last week, I. M. and R. C. Clark took a trip up Black Mountain, by way of Gilead, to ascertain the distances and location of some of the principal mountains, then crossing over to Bald and Dam by way of Sunday river. Blueberries on the latter mountain are scarce.

It has been stated by old timers that frost has been seen in this town every month in the year. That sleighing in July has also occurred, was witnessed by many yesterday, when Charles Chute drove the length of Chapman street comfortably seated in his sleigh, the nimble feet of the gallant grey keeping time to the music of bells. Whether Mr. Chute found the sleighing par excellence or otherwise may be a mooted question best decided by himself.

We doubt if those who live in town realize how eagerly the subscribers of the News in other towns search the columns of the paper for items of interest from home; those incidents which many times seem of little interest to our home readers, to those away, give ideas of the change that every day takes place in our surroundings; to add to the interest and growth of our local paper, we take this opportunity to ask all who can, to furnish with home items. All such will be gladly received at our office, or if preferred mail them but please sign name to all that are sent.

THOUGHTS FOR MOTHERS.

"How can you write on the duty of mothers?" says a friend. "How do you know what class of mothers to address? One mother's duty is to take in washing to support her children; another must do all her own work; another has to write articles or deliver lectures; while a few, comparatively, can just be mothers and fill their time with actual caring and doing for their children."

Now that sounds true and also discouraging so far as my article goes, yet it is only a half truth, and half-truths are quite as dangerous as untruths. The washing, or housework, or lecturing, or writing, is the mother's work, but the mother's duties lie back of, beyond, above all that, and are fulfilled, I truly believe, far more faithfully, as a rule, by the busy mothers than by those who have plenty of leisure. But there are duties which all mothers share in common. First, and above all, a mother is to teach her child to feel God's touch, to know his voice, to obey his law. This duty should be understood to be laid upon us before the birth of our children. In cultivating her spiritual nature a woman who is promised motherhood gives her child quick spiritual instincts. Can she give it a richer endowment? Faith is easy to such a child; doubts find no lodgment in his soul.

During the first years the little child learns so easily and takes impressions so quickly that its mind is sometimes said to be plastic clay. We hardly realize what the child is learning until we are surprised to see it copying our act of yesterday, an action, too, we have no reason to be proud of. Passing strange we think it that it is not the noblest in our lives which is first copied. Because our children copy us so closely, and do not select our best traits for imitation, how great the probability that they will grow up to be good counterfeits of ourselves in our worst moods—the perpetration of our ill-nature, perhaps, or of our indolence! How great the probability that they will transmit to another generation the influence of sayings and doings of some unguarded moment that we fondly deemed but transitory and exceptional phases of our character. "I will visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation," saith the Lord of Hosts, which, after all, is but the effect of natural law. Let us then, if not for our own sakes, for our children's sake, cultivate every Christian temper and grace.

The little triumphs and successes of the young mind should never be lightly passed over without a token of just and fitting praise from the lips of parents. The love of approbation is one of the strongest incentives to improvement and industry which the Creator has implanted in the human mind. In childhood the feeling is very predominant; and, if disappointed of its justly earned tribute, will be checked and the child disheartened and mortified because as he naturally feels, "Nobody cares."

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Births.

In Bethel, July 10th, to the wife of Prof. W. S. Wright, a daughter. (9 lbs.)

In West Paris, July 9th, to the wife of H. E. Hamilton, a daughter. (Olar-lott Dunham.)

In Norway, July 12, to the wife of George H. Wyman, a daughter.

In West Sumner, July 8, to the wife of Orville Buck, a daughter.

Marriages.

In Bridgton, July 2, by Rev. Geo. M. Woodwell Mr. Edward Nathaniel Thompson of Bridgton and Miss Augusta Caroline Smith of Fryeburg.

In Norway, July 1, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney A. Stevens, by Rev. C. E. Angell, Mr. William Chase Dade of Auburn and Miss Emma Idelle Stevens of Lewiston, formerly of Norway.

Deaths.

In Oxford, July 12, John Smith, aged 78 years.

In Hiram, July 10, Aaron McNease, aged 89 years.

In East Waterford, July 13th, Mrs. Mary wife of Peter N. Haskell, aged 72 years, 3 months.

In Sumner, July 11, Moses Merrill.

A man in Virginia, rode forty miles, to Fairfax Station, for the express purpose of getting Cham-blain's Cough Remedy, and took home with him, a dozen bottles of the medicine. The druggist who relates the incident, adds: "Your remedy seems to be a general favorite wherever known." Its effects are indeed wonderful in all lung and throat troubles. Procure a bottle at G. R. Wiley's drug store, Bethel.

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Our Young Readers.

Nobody's Kitty.

Nobody's kitty was out in the snow, Nobody's kitty had nowhere to go, Nobody's kitty cried: "Miew, miew, miew!" Somebody pity me, do, do, do!" So somebody peeped from a window high, She saw little kitty and heard her cry; Somebody pattered down stair by stair, With blue, blue eyes and golden hair. Somebody gathered the wanderer in, Nobody's kitty, so cold and so thin; Nobody's kitty was somebody's pet, Ha! ha! my tale is not ended yet. Somebody's doggie barked: "Bow wow, wow!" "So I'm to be nobody's doggie now!" "Fie!" said his mistress; "fie! that is not true; I've room in my heart for kitty and you."

Bobby's Corn Rooster.

"Isn't he a bouncing woooster?" cried Bobby, as he pointed to his prize in the bottom of the wagon. Mrs. Trask gave him to me—and he's truly mine. Hasn't he got some nice yellow feathers on his wings?" "Just the color of corn," laughed Ralph. "He's been fed on high victuals. And likely he's been stealing corn ever since he was big enough to strut around. He's a fine corn rooster."

"Cockle-doodle-doo-oo-oo!" crowed Bobby's pet, as if he wished to show that he could do something else besides eat corn.

"Mercy me!" cried Dora, "I can never stand such a noise as that. What in the world did you let Bobby bring that thing home for?"

"Mrs. Trask was pleased to see how Bobby took his part when her husband was telling what an awkward thing he was—and—"

"O yes, and what a noise he made when he crowed," laughed Ralph.

"I just pounced his nice yellow feathers," exclaimed Bobby, sturdily, "and then she gave him right to me."

"Mamma said I could keep him in my truly chicken coop," he added with another admiring look at the rooster.

"He'll crow the top off it, said Ralph, warningly.

"And I can't have the coop near the end of the house where I sleep," added Dora with quite a pout.

"I'll move him round to other side," Bobby promised. "For I want you all wested up before you go off visitin'."

"I'll help you with the rooster," said papa as he came around the end of the house. "We may be glad of your pet to eat this fall if the crows keep stealing the corn as they do now. They don't seem to mind scarecrows, or pieces of tin on strings, or anything."

Bobby's eyes winked pretty hard when he heard of the plan for killing his pet. But he didn't say a word to his papa or anybody until they were alone together and had the corn rooster safely in the coop.

"Can't Dora go 'way visitin'—less the crows leave the corn be?" he whispered then.

"Guess not," said papa.

"Tell you what I'll do then."

And Bobby whispered real fast into papa's right ear. When he heard his plan the good man nodded his head, and when Bobby said, "It hurts a little, but I'll do it," he smiled so cheerily that as soon as it was dark that night he went up into the cornfield tugging quite a load with him.

How papa and mamma laughed the next morning as they looked out of the window before Bobby was awake. A big flock of crows went flying down to the corn. Cockle-doodle-doo-oo-oo!" That was the greeting they heard from right in the midst of the field.

They wheeled around as if somebody had fired a gun at them when they heard that, and caught sight of a suspicious looking coop.

"Caw, caw," they all cried, and flew away as fast as they could. Bobby's rooster didn't seem to care if they shook all their black feathers out in their fear. He crowed again and again.

And the crows let papa's corn alone after that? Yes, indeed, for Bobby's plan had been a good one.

When Dora started away on her visit she kissed Bobby very tenderly she said, "You've helped me so. And your corn rooster shall always be the best pet on the farm."

"I didn't do much," said Bobby, honestly. "I just couldn't help, nothin' the pretty yellow feathers God painted on him."

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John Alexander is in very poor health.

Henry Merrill and wife of Hiram, was in town Thursday, of last week.

Mrs. Nathaniel Robinson is staying a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Ella Allen.

Rev. Mr. Woodwell of Bridgton, preached a very faithful sermon here last Sabbath.

Horace Blake of Jackson, N. H., was in town last week, and sold some grass and some land.

Mr. A. G. Bean of Albany, was in town last week, Thursday, and stayed over night with A. H. Witham.

Sam Colby is quite bad off by over heating himself; his son, Gus Colby has come home to help with the haying.

Mr. W. H. Robinson and family are at C. B. Smith's. Mr. Robinson returns to his home in Worcester, Mass., and his family will spend several weeks with her parents.

California fruits of all kinds, canned and fresh, at Deering's.

MAGALLOWAY.

Heavy frost in our section Tuesday night.

Z. B. Davis of Millsfield, N. H., was in town, Sunday.

J. L. Bragg of Errol, was at the Brown farm, Thursday.

P. C. Ripley has a young lady visitor who has come to stay; weights eight and one-fourth lbs.

Justice R. A. Storey was in town Monday, to sign some important documents in connection with the fish and game laws of the State.

While camping at Upper Mattalie Pond a strange animal was shot by L. Leavitt; every one who has seen it calls it a specie of panther. It is supposed to be the same animal shot at last season near Bog lake by R. L. Foster of Boston, as an old bullet was found in the body.

A service was held on Tuesday night at the middle schoolhouse. A very able address was delivered on the shortness of life by the Rev. Ephraim Poundtux of Canada. The reverend gentleman is agent for the Christian Burial Beaters' association, a life insurance company on the assessment plan; to become a member it is necessary to believe and be baptized. He will soon visit Sunday River.

Messrs. Linnell Leavitt and Robertson have returned from Parmachenee. They had a very successful trip and brought down 57 pounds of trout, varying in weight from half a pound to four and three-fourths. Linnell was high line as he caught the three largest, two of which were taken at one cast. Leavitt caught the most in number but smaller in size. Robertson had his usual luck and only went overboard twice.

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TOWNS AROUND.
MAGALLOWAY.
M. D. Sturtevant has returned to Boston.
Will Pratt has returned home to Grafton.
M. C. Linnell and wife have returned home from Poplar Tavern.
C. E. Robertson of Boston, is spending his vacation at Lewis Leavitt's.
A picnic was held the Fourth at Sturtevant pond attended by some of the prominent families.
M. C. Linnell, C. E. Robertson and Lewis Leavitt started the 8th, on a fishing trip to Parnachee.
On the morning of the Fourth at the school house a large flag was raised by our popular teacher and scholars, assisted by several of our patriotic citizens.
A very serious accident happened at the home of the late L. L. Littlehale, on the evening of the 6th. Several of the children were very badly injured. The accident was caused by one of the boys attempting to mix gunpowder with burning alcohol; the house was badly wrecked.
NORTH ALBANY.
Geo. Rolf has been helping his brother Ray the past week.
Quite a number of friends and relatives spent the Fourth at F. H. Bennett's.
Fred Godwin and Asa Ellingwood of Upton, spent Wednesday night at G. P. Pingree's.
Mrs. C. P. Pingree lost a fine baby blanket out of the wagon last Sunday on her way from church.
F. H. Bennett was in Norway last week, and returned with a new horse to use on the cream wagon.
Henry and Philip Rolf rode up from Rumford last Wednesday morning on their wheels, to see their brother Edwin who has been quite sick, but is improving fast.
WILSON'S MILLS.
The abutments of the bridge were finished last Tuesday.
Frank McCann has bought a bicycle of Lawrence W. Littlehale.
There was a fire up Bog brook, Thursday which burned over about six acres.
The Fourth passed very quietly here; a few attended the celebration at Errol.
Rev. S. S. York held a meeting at the schoolhouse, Tuesday evening. The services were interrupted by a telephone message, requesting Rev. Mr. York to attend the children of Leander Littlehale, three of whom were badly burned by the explosion of alcohol and gunpowder.
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NORTH NORWAY.
Every one is improving the fine hay weather.
Dana Bartlett is helping Orrin Brown through haying.
Harry Gerry and Miss Smith are at F. Cox's for a week or two.
Ed Cox moved twelve acres one day from Mark Richardson.
R. Towne has sold his grass to Mr. Braden on the Holt farm, for \$55.
E. E. Harris came from his wheel from Madison, 85 miles, to F. Cox's the 6th.
John Carter who went to California last November, returned home the 6th.
R. L. Cummings and family from South Paris, spent the 3rd, at O. H. Judkins'.
Prof. A. F. French who has been teaching in Attleboro, is at home for a short vacation.
Mrs. Fannie Cox recently made 11 pounds of butter in five days from one of their cows.
Miss Tucker, the teacher in District No. 2, had a picnic the last day of school in a beautiful grove near by. She treated her school to bananas, candy, lemonade, peanuts, etc.

HOW VIOLINS ARE "ANTIQUED."
New and Green Instruments Made to Resemble Genuine "Strads."
Experts in the old violin industry tell how very young and green instruments can be made to look like products of the skill of old Stradivari at a very moderate expense.
It seems that by means of a little varnishing, staining and scraping, and by pasting on an old label, worth about one-half cent, that any kind of an old violin may be converted into a "genuine Strad" of almost priceless value. Every effort is being made to prove that the violin of the theft of which Mr. Fletcher is accused by Mrs. Botz, was such an instrument.
Oscar Schildbach, who works for Mr. Fletcher, said that the violin in dispute was turned over to him to be properly "antiqued." The violin "antiqued" testified that he took the violin, a French instrument, made by Nicola, and under the direction of the maker, and pasted on the place an imitation of an old-time yellow label, which read: "Antonius Stradivarius, Fecit, A. D. 1725." He also did a little staining and treated it with some good "antique" varnish.
"Did you think that anybody would believe that this one was a genuine Stradivarius?" he was asked.
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